

NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT, 1911.

PROVISIONAL REGULATIONS, dated 20th FEBRUARY, 1914, made by THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE, THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS, THE IRISH INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS, and THE WELSH INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS, acting jointly, entitled THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE (COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SOLDIERS) REGULATIONS, 1914.

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NATIONAL INSURANCE.

National Health Insurance.

THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE (COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SOLDIERS) REGULATIONS, 1914, DATED FEBRUARY 20, 1914, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE, AND THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS, THE IRISH INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS, AND THE WELSH INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS, ACTING JOINTLY, AS TO THE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS IN RESPECT OF SOLDIERS.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, hereby certify under Section 2 of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, that on account of urgency the following Regulations should come into operation immediately, and, in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the National Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1913, and by the National Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1912 and 1913, hereby make the following Regulations to come into operation forthwith as Provisional Regulations:—

Short title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions, Soldiers) Regulations, 1914.

Interpretation.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:—

The expression "the Act" means Parts I. and III. of the National Insurance Act, 1911;

The expression "the Joint Committee" means the National Health Insurance Joint Committee;

The expression "the Commissioners" means in relation to a soldier who by virtue of sub-section (4) (iii) of Section 46 of the Act is deemed to reside in England, the Insurance Commissioners; in relation to a soldier who is so deemed to reside in Ireland, the Irish Insurance Commissioners; and in relation to a soldier who is so deemed to reside in Wales, the Welsh Insurance Commissioners;

The expression "Society" means any Approved Society, and includes a branch of an Approved Society;

The expression "card" means a contribution card issued in accordance with these Regulations;

The expression "stamp" means a stamp issued under Section 108 of the Act for the purposes of the Act;

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The expression "period of currency" means in relation to any card the period during which that card is available for the purpose of recording the payment of contributions;

The expression "proper officer" means the person appointed by the Army Council to act as the proper officer for the purposes of these Regulations.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. If the Army Council, with the approval of the Joint Committee, decide to record the payment of contributions in the case of soldiers by means of stamps affixed to cards, and to issue a card to every soldier in respect of whom contributions are made, then the following provisions shall have effect as to the custody, production and delivery up of the cards so issued:—

Method of
payment of
contribu-
tions.

(1) Every soldier to whom a card is issued shall inscribe thereon his name and such other particulars as the Army Council may require, and shall return the card so inscribed to the proper officer on or before the next pay day.

(2) Upon making any claim for benefit a soldier shall, if so required, produce his card to the Society of which he is a member, or in the case of a member of the Navy and Army Insurance Fund, to the Commissioners or to the Insurance Committee.

(3) Every soldier who is a member of a Society shall surrender his card to his Society, and every soldier who is not a member of a Society shall surrender his card to the Commissioners at the times following, so far as applicable in his case, that is to say:—

- (i) If he is not a member of a Society, upon joining a Society;
- (ii) If he is a member of a Society—
 - (a) upon transferring to another Society; and
 - (b) upon ceasing to be a member of the Society otherwise than by transfer to another Society;
- (iii) Whether he is or is not a member of a Society—
 - (a) upon discharge from the Army or transfer to the Army Reserve;
 - (b) upon the card becoming defaced in any manner not authorised by these Regulations;
 - (c) upon ceasing to be liable to deductions from pay on completion of the term of his first engagement;
 - (d) within fourteen days after the expiration of the period of currency:

Provided that a soldier as respects whom the time allowed under the Act for joining a Society has not expired at the date when the period of currency of the card expires shall not be required to surrender his card before the fourteenth day after the expiration of the time allowed for joining a Society.

4.—(1) Any soldier desirous of paying any arrears of contributions which he is entitled to pay may apply to the Society of which he is a member or, if he is a member of the Navy and Army Insurance Fund, to the Commissioners, for an arrears card, and

Provisions
as to arrears
cards and
payment of
arrears.

the Society or Commissioners, as the case may be, shall inscribe thereon such particulars as may from time to time be required by the Commissioners, and shall on any such application issue accordingly a card so inscribed.

(2.) A soldier to whom an arrears card is issued may affix to the card so issued stamps in payment of any arrears of contributions payable by him.

(3.) Every soldier affixing a stamp to an arrears card shall immediately cancel it by writing the date in ink across the face of the stamp.

(4.) Arrears shall be deemed to have been paid at the time of the surrender of the arrears card bearing the appropriate stamps to the Society, or to the Commissioners, as the case may be.

Issue of
cards.

5.—(1) The Commissioners may supply cards for the purposes of these Regulations, and any cards so supplied shall be in the form set out in the Schedule to these Regulations, or in a form substantially to the like effect, and, if issued, shall be issued to soldiers without charge.

(2) All directions and instructions appearing upon the cards issued by the Commissioners in accordance with these Regulations shall be deemed to be incorporated in these Regulations.

Miscellaneous
provisions as
to cards.

6.—(1) No person shall assign or charge or agree to assign or charge any card and any sale, transfer, or assignment of, or any charge on, any card shall be void and of no effect.

(2) A Society, or the Commissioners, as the case may require, may require any soldier to sign his card on surrendering it.

(3) A Society shall, if so requested by a soldier, give him a receipt for the contributions in respect of which stamps have been affixed to his card.

(4) Upon the death or desertion of any soldier, any person having possession, or thereafter obtaining possession, of his card shall as soon as may be deliver the same to the Society of which he was a member or to the Commissioners.

(5) Any person having in his possession the card of a soldier shall produce it at any reasonable time when required by an inspector or other officer appointed under the Act, or duly authorised to act in the execution of the Act.

Serving for
soldiers out
of the
United
Kingdom.

7.—(1) Where any soldier is unable on account of absence from the United Kingdom to perform any act required by these Regulations to be done either forthwith or on the happening of a certain event or within a specified time he shall be deemed to have complied with these Regulations if he performs the act as soon as is reasonably possible after the happening of the event or the expiration of the specified time.

(2) Any act required to be performed by a soldier or by the proper officer under Article 3 of these Regulations may, in the case of a soldier serving outside the United Kingdom, be performed on his behalf by such person and in such manner as may be agreed between the Army Council and the Joint Committee.

8. The National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions, Soldiers) Regulations, 1913, are hereby revoked.

ARMY CARD.

Schedule.

To 191 .

CLASS B



NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE.

Contribution Card for 26 weeks ending , 191 .

OWNERSHIP OF CARD.

This card is the property of the Insurance Commissioners.

If the Contributor is a member of an Approved Society, the Card, when completed, must be forwarded to that Society; if he is insured in the Navy and Army Insurance Fund, it must be sent to the Insurance Commissioners, London, S.W. not later than

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No allowance will be made for any Stamps on this Card unless and until the Card has been forwarded as provided above.

To be entered before the Card is sent to the Society or the Insurance Commissioners.

Full Name }
of Society } if not a member of any Approved Society write the words "Navy & Army Fund"

Name of Branch

(if any). Number in Society.

The Contributor must sign below before the Card is sent to his Society or to the Insurance Commissioners.

Signature of Contributor.

TRANSFER TO ANOTHER UNIT.

When a Contributor is transferred to another Unit during the currency of this Card, the new Unit and the date of transfer should be shown below :-

Unit Date of transfer. 191 ,

and the Card should be stamped in accordance with the Regulations and forwarded to the Officer commanding the new Unit.

DISCHARGE OR TRANSFER TO RESERVE.

(These particulars will only be filled in on leaving the Colours).

Discharged or transferred to Army Reserve on 191 .

Home Address on Discharge

26 Weeks ending

191 .

1st Week, commencing , 191	2nd Week, commencing , 191	Army No. _____ Rank _____			
		Surname _____			
		Christian Names _____			
		Regiment _____			
		Station _____			
3rd Week, commencing , 191	4th Week, commencing , 191	5th Week, commencing , 191	6th Week, commencing , 191	7th Week, commencing , 191	8th Week, commencing , 191
9th Week, commencing , 191	10th Week, commencing , 191	11th Week, commencing , 191	12th Week, commencing , 191	13th Week, commencing , 191	14th Week, commencing , 191
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21st Week, commencing , 191	22nd Week, commencing , 191	23rd Week, commencing , 191	24th Week, commencing , 191	25th Week, commencing , 191	26th Week, commencing , 191

If a contribution is not due for any week (see *Instruction No. 2 opposite*), the words "No Pay" will be inserted in the space for that week, with the addition of the words "In Hospital" when the man is in hospital without pay, and the Officer Commanding will sign here in evidence that the entry is correct.

Officer Commanding.

This page may be cut off before the card is surrendered.

In accordance with Section 13 of the Stamp Duties Management Act, 1891, any person who fraudulently removes any Stamp from this Card, or makes use of any Stamp removed from another Card, is guilty of felony.

INSTRUCTIONS.

(1.) A National Health Insurance Stamp or Stamps for the number of contributions due must be affixed in the spaces provided. No other Stamps may be used. Every Stamp must be cancelled at the time of affixing by writing in ink or stamping with a metallic die with black indelible ink or composition the date across the face of the Stamp.

(2.) A weekly Contribution is payable by the Army Council for each week (commencing Monday) in respect of which or any part of which pay is drawn, but only one Contribution is payable in respect of each week. No Contribution is due for any week in respect of which a soldier receives no pay.

(3.) The rate of Contribution for serving soldiers is 3d. per week, divided as follows:—

Payable by the Army Council	11d. per week.
Payable on behalf of and recoverable from the soldier	11d. "

(4.) The Cards of men who desert or die whilst serving will be stamped for the period for which pay is charged, and forwarded to the Insurance Commission with a note showing the date of desertion or death.

(5.) On discharge or transfer to the Army Reserve the Card will be stamped to include the week in which the discharge or transfer takes place, and should be forwarded to the Approved Society of which the Contributor is a member or, if he is not a member of an Approved Society, to the Insurance Commissioners, London, S.W.

(6.) Stamps must not be affixed to this Card in payment of Contributions for any period after the date of discharge or transfer to the Army Reserve.

(7.) In the event of the Contributor remaining insured after discharge or transfer to the Army Reserve, he must obtain an ordinary Employed Contributor's Card from his Approved Society. If he is not a member of an Approved Society a Card will be sent to him by the Insurance Commissioners.

(8.) Except as otherwise provided by Regulations, no mark of any kind may be made on this Card, nor may anything be affixed to it by the Contributor or any other person.

(9.) No person may assign or charge, or agree to assign or charge any Card, and any sale, transfer or assignment of, or charge on any Card is void and of no effect.

(10.) Any person who buys, exchanges, or takes in pawn from any insured person, or any person acting on his behalf, on any pretence whatever, any Insurance Card is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding Ten Pounds.

DEFACED CARD.

If a Card is accidentally defaced or destroyed while in the hands of the Contributor, a new Card will be issued for the current period. Any defaced Card should be attached to the new one, which must, at the end of the period, be disposed of as directed above.

LOST CARD.

Any person finding this Card, unless he can at once return it to the Contributor, should drop it into a Post Office Letter Box.

Given under the Seal of Office of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 12th day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

(L.S.)

R. W. Harris,
Clerk to the National Health Insurance
Joint Committee.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Insurance Commissioners, this 17th day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

(L.S.)

John Anderson,
Secretary to the Insurance Commissioners.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Irish Insurance Commissioners, this 19th day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

(L.S.)

John Houlihan,
Secretary to the Irish Insurance Commissioners.

Given under the Seal of Office of the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, this 20th day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

(L.S.)

Thomas Jones,
Secretary to the Welsh Insurance Commissioners.